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[54] **THERMOPLASTIC ELASTOMER  
COMPOSITION FOR POWDER SLUSH  
MOLDING AND PROCESS FOR  
PREPARATION OF SAID COMPOSITION**

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[57] **ABSTRACT**

A thermoplastic elastomer composition for powder slush molding made up of a polypropylene resin, hydrogenated styrene butadiene rubber, a process oil and an elastomer excellent in oil absorbing power. A process for making that thermoplastic elastomer composition may include the addition of an organic peroxide to the above components and kneading the obtained mixture while heating.

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